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Title: DATA READ/WRITE CONTROLLING METHOD, DISK ARRAY APPARATUS, AND RECORDING MEDIUM FOR RECORDING DATA READ/WRITE CONTROLLING PROGRAM
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to examination of the above-identified application, Applicant respectfully requests that the following amendments be entered into the application:

IN THE CLAIMS:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.121, please substitute for original claim 7 the following rewritten version of the same claim, as amended. The change is shown explicitly in the attached "Version with Markings to Show Changes Made."

7. (Amended) The disk array apparatus according to Claim 4, wherein a total number of said divided data items and said parity data items is set equal to a number of said cache modules.